

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

October 11, 2015

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time

Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	7:00 PM	NO MASS
Wednesday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Thursday	7:00 PM	NO MASS
Friday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Saturday	6:00 PM	John M. & Charles J. Hickey (Anniv) – Niece & Dale
Sunday	8:00 AM	Evelyn C. Hickey – husband, George R. Hickey
	10:30 AM	For the People

Sanctuary Candle – Leonard Miller 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by Sue & the Family

**PRAYER LIST:** Barbara Allison, Debbie Baker, Fred Bittner, Janey Black, Vicki Bowser, Ed Boyer, Jim Caro, Joe & Glenna Caro, Laura Costello, Faith Custer, Joann Darbyshire, Brenda Davis, Judy Dronet, Beau Dull, Beth Engle Pat Ferko, Agnes Fleming, Tabitha Frick, Paisley Goetzl, Donald Grasser, Gerald Grasser, Sr., Kelly Hartbauer, Elizabeth, Ken & Kennaley Heider, Sandra Herzing, Mike Hess, Chet Hillegass, David Hinson, Steve Howsare, Laramme Ickes, Matthew Jenkins, Harry Jones, J.T. Kline, Todd Kline, Jeanne Marie Klisiewicz, Chris Knisely, Eileen Knott, Dana LeGros, Virginia Lambert, Connie Levar, Don Lynch, Martha Marker, George Maser, Tracey Mowry, Charlene Norris, Cathy & Laird Ober, Rick Otto, Jane Palik, Maryann Palko, Louise Pekala, Denver Reed, Rose Restly, Sabina Restly, Shawn Restly, Greg Seeley, Clara Smith, Larry Smith, Michael Stefanik, Tommy Stiffler, Pat Stoe, Dick Walter, Anna Lee & Kenny Wambaugh, Aaron Weiss, Christina Whetstone, Charlotte Will, Jan & Larry Will, Paul Will, Tish Will, Dominick Yachere, Nancy Zeth

Last week: Loose: \$289.00; Adults: \$3,292.00 Total: \$3,581.00

*ALTAR SCHEDULE - October 18<sup>th</sup>*

	<u>6 pm</u>	<u>8 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
<b>READER:</b>	Wayne Tedley	Barbara Kane	Kris Engleka
<b>MINISTER:</b>	Deacon Thom	Deacon Thom	Deacon Thom
	Dayna Wambaugh	Alzine Hoffman	Kathleen Davies
	Linda Suhrie	John Werner	Robert Davies
<b>SERVERS:</b>	Gabby Hoover	Nathan Leonard	Marshal Engleka
	Graham Hoover	Caleb Leonard	Maria Engleka

The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Tuesday October 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel. The singing will be led by Holy Name Choir from Ebensburg and the sermon will be delivered by Fr. Jonathan St. Andre, T.O.R.



THE CHURCH OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN  
**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Pastor:  
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Fr. Richard Tomkosky

Hall Reservations: Melinda Will (733-0029)

Mass Schedule:

Parish Website: www.newbaltimorecatholic.com

Wed., Fri.: 8:00 AM  
Tues. & Thurs.: 7:00 PM  
Sunday: 6:00 PM (Vigil)  
8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Rectory:  
Box 10  
New Baltimore, PA 15553  
Phone: 733-2210 Hall: 733-4113

Baptism:  
Arrange in advance for pre-baptismal instructions.

Confessions  
Saturday 5:00 – 5:45 PM

Matrimony:  
Arrange nine months in advance. Couples expected to participate in pre-marriage preparation program



Parish Mission Statement St. John the Baptist Parish is a Catholic Christian Community centered in rural New Baltimore, Pennsylvania. As members of the Body of Christ, we seek to live as entrusted stewards using God's gifts responsibly, intelligently, prudently, and gratefully to bring about His kingdom. As stewards of our time, talents, possessions, and faith, we



are called to put our lives in proper focus and to live in accord with one another giving love and caring support; to accept Christ's challenge as related in the Gospels – to serve one another.

BINGO WORKERS – October 14<sup>th</sup>

Floor Workers

Tim Griffith  
Richard Engbert

Mary Grace Imgrund  
Oscar Speicher

Kitchen Crew

Rita Lewis

Bingo starts at 6:30 pm. We play regular games, specials, quickies, bonus number, jackpot & bonanza. The kitchen also has delicious refreshments available



COFFEE & DONUT SOCIAL HOUR- The Knights of Columbus of St. John's invite you and your family to enjoy coffee and donuts after all Masses on Columbus Day Weekend, October 10 & 11. Hope to see you there!



St Peter's PTA Spaghetti Dinner Thursday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 11am – 7pm. St. Peter's Parish Hall, Somerset. Meatballs, fresh baked bread, salad dessert, beverage. Adult \$8; 12 & under \$5; 3 & under Free. Eat in or take out.

We express our sympathy to Larry Benning at the death of his sister, Betty Landis. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



The Berlin Brothersvalley School District Foundation will be having their seventh annual "FUN IN THE SUN" dinner and drawing on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at the Berlin Community Building beginning at 6:00 pm. A family-style roast beef dinner will be served followed by a drawing with the grand prize being a one week's stay (January 23-30, 2016)

at Caribe Cove Resort, Kissimmee, FL and \$800 travel allowance. Other cash prizes and many door prizes donated by local businesses will be given away. There will also be themed baskets. Tickets are \$25.00 each and are available from any Foundation member or by contacting the BBSD Administration Office at (814)267-4621. Please help support the Foundation and the children of our school district.

**Kim and Dayna Wambaugh along with Allegra Slick thank you for your generous response to their request for donations for Moms House. Your help was greatly appreciated. Also Thank You to those who helped or attended the social.**

Next weekend we will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. This year we are invited to support the 1,150 of the youngest dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and please be generous in next weekend's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

The next meeting of the **Bedford County Citizens Concerned for Human Life**, will be on Monday, October 12 at 6:30 pm, in the game room at Spring House Estates. For information, please call Doug Braendel 623-6887.

*Notes from Fr. Rich*

- *Adult Education: I will have class this Sunday and next Sunday October 18 in the retreat center dining room from 9:15-10:15 while CCD is going on. I encourage the parents of the CCD students to come to the class as well as any other parishioners who are interested in growing in the knowledge of the Sacraments which we are going over.*
- *Marriage stats: As cited in my homily last weekend, the amazing stats on embracing the Scriptural/Catholic vision of marriage are the following: if one doesn't get married with the blessing of the Catholic Church the divorce rate is 50%, by getting married in the Church it drops to 33%. And then couples who contracept or get sterilized have a 55% divorce rate, but if they embrace the Church's teaching on being open to life and follow Natural Family Planning - if they have serious reasons for spacing out their children - the divorce rate falls to 3-5%. In addition if a couple comes to Mass together regularly it falls to 2% and if they pray together daily as a couple it falls to .9%. Pretty amazing how God's vision of marriage as made known to us through the Catholic Church is truly the better way leading to peace, happiness and holiness over time. Please pray the Synod on the Family in Rome this month comes up with deeper insights on how to encourage people in the modern world to live this beautiful vision of marriage and family life.*
- *NFP: If you want to learn the Church's teaching in this area of natural family planning in order to be faithful to God's holy will as a married couple, please check out the following websites: [www.learnnfponline.com](http://www.learnnfponline.com)*

and [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org); and to learn about the latest developments in the area of fertility and infertility in harmony with Catholic teaching, the Pope Paul VI institute is a great place: [www.popepaulvi.com](http://www.popepaulvi.com). Their motto is "Building a Culture of Life in Women's Healthcare." You can also check out the diocese of Altoona-Johnstown's website: <http://www.ajdiocese.org> and look under the Family Life Office for more information.

- **Divine Mercy Devotion:** If you want to learn more about the beautiful Divine Mercy Devotion and how it is being brought more into the world and the Church by the Marian fathers and associates, as well as ways to help spread it in our lives, please check out their quarterly Marian Helper magazine online at: [www.marian.org/imh/](http://www.marian.org/imh/). The new autumn issue is on there. You can also check out their You Tube channel with over 100 videos about Mary, Divine Mercy and the saints, with new content added weekly at: [www.youtube.com/MarianHelpers](http://www.youtube.com/MarianHelpers). And if you want to sign up for the daily email reflection from the Divine Mercy Diary of St. Faustina the web address is: <http://flocknote.com/divinemercydaily>.
- **No weekday Masses this week and an update on my mom:** I will be taking a few days of vacation this week to spend with my mom and other family members as I normally do in October each year as it is my favorite time of year, so there will be no weekday Masses this week. Also as an update since some of you have been asking about her, my mom Kathleen is doing fairly well. She has recovered from the broken jaw in the spring for the most part, but please keep praying for her since she does have a number of ongoing health problems. Thanks. Also since I will be away this week, if there are any emergency sick calls please call Fr. Dusza at St. Thomas in Bedford: 623-5526.

- **Thoughts from the saints - on studying and loving the Sacred Scriptures - "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ" (St. Jerome).** Have a blessed week.

*Families and the Gospel...* Having possessions is an illusion. In today's gospel Jesus told the young man to give up his need to control and put his trust in God. He couldn't let go! In families our need to control destroys relationships. We can lead, teach and encourage, but we can't control anyone but ourselves.